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EXDIS, TOSEC 148, S/S FOR ATHERTON

FOLLOWING AMMAN 2513 ACTION SECSTATE INFO BEIRUT MAY 1ST.

QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L AMMAN 2513

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (CP HASSAN), PFOR, US, JO, SREF

SUBJ: CROWN PRINCE VISIT; UNRWA AND REFUGEES

1. DURING THE COURSE OF GENERAL DISCUSSION OF VISIT COVERED IN OTHER TELEGRAMS, CROWN PRINCE MENTIONED HE WOULD HOPE TO OBTAIN CONTINUED U.S. SUPPORT FOR UNRWA AND ITS ACTIVITIES IN JORDAN.

2. HE IS CONCERNED ABOUT LONG-GERM IMPLICATIONS OF INDEFINITE PERPETUATION OF UNRWA IN JORDAN AND IS DEVELOPING HIS OWN PLANS FOR JORDANIAN ECONOMY WITH CONCEPT THAT UNRWA WILL EVENTUALLY PHASE OUT. BASIC
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PROBLEM FOR HIM IS PACE AND TIMING AND HE IS ALARE

THAT FUTURE ON UNRWU WILL BE UP FOR CONSIDERATION IN
THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE.

3. WE INDICATED THAT WE BELIEVED USG WOULD BE
BROADLY SYMPATHETIC WITH HIS DESIRES FOR A GRADUAL
PHASE-OUT OF UNRWA AND HIS HOPES THAT THIS WOULD TAKE
PLACE OVER TIME AND AT A PACE WHICH PERMITTED JORDANIAN
ECONOMY TO PICK UP SLACK.

4. HE WILL BE SEEKING GENERAL REAFFIRMATION OF THESE
VIEWS DURING HIS WASHINGTON VISIT. CROWN PRINCE IS
DEEPLY SENSITIVE TO POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS
IN ARAB WORLD OF THEIR JORDANIAN VIEWS AND FACT THAT
IF THEY BECOME GENERALLY KNOWN THAT MAY WELL
DESTROY OR DECREASE ASSISTANCE THAT JORDAN HOPES TO
RECEIVE FROM FELLOW ARABS TO DEVELOP ITS OWN ECONOMY.
THEREFORE GRATEFUL IF INFO IS TREATED ON CLOSE-HOLD
BASIS. PICKERING UNQUOTE RUSH

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